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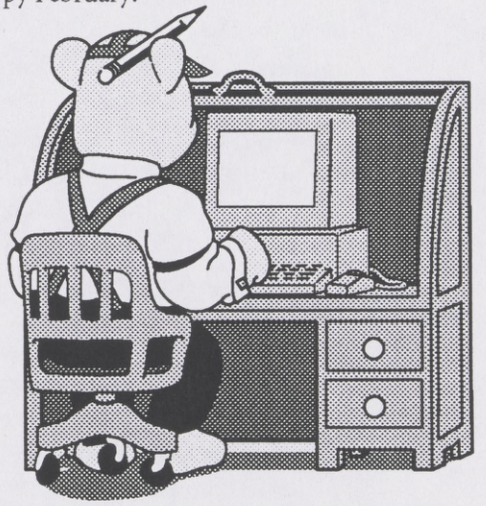
The News Organ of the Capital City Squares
A Founding Member of the IAGSDC

A Toast to February

January was a depressing month for several reasons. January brought the sad news of the sudden death of one of Capital City Squares' most beloved members, Chuck Kitlinger, and the illness of several other Club members. The weather was the usual Sacramento fog, which only added to the feeling of gloom occasioned by the news of death and illness. In addition, Capital City Squares came very close to going under financially. In all, January was a bummer.

Now it is February. February is the shortest month of the year, but it offers many delightful contrasts with January. It has more holidays than any other month its size (think about that). I like February because it usually offers one or two respites from the fog—an Indian autumn? with lots of sun and the hope of the coming spring. These hints of spring lift one's spirits and give one the drive to endure the fog when it comes back.

For Capital City Squares, things are looking up. We seem to be closer to the tax-exempt status that will save us lots of money. Our treasury is up because of many memberships paid. (If you haven't paid your 1992 membership fee, please support your Club and do so right away.) The Plus class has graduated. The Basic class is almost a Mainstream class. And there are lots of events to plan for and attend. When you are reading about the many activities and events that are in store for you this month and in the spring, have a happy February.



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The CEO Speaks!

[hmm—after the holidays (that is, lots of food) the above shape is unattainable … oh well …]

DO NOT FAIL TO SIGN UP FOR THE IAGSDC CONVENTION!

Alas and alack! Tales of woe and misery, of recrimination and destitution, of … well, enough about Portland—vis–a–vis my ex!

I don't know if it's the sunshine out there, the time o' day, or what, but I feel good. It might be that things are finally coming together her in Fogland [Fagland?]. And while the news is not perfect, it is better than silence.

Wherefore speak I thus? Well, ya see, we've finally heard some news on a coupla fronts. (For more details, check the minutes.) I, of course, shall overview the progress here. Firstly, we have finally heard something from the Franchise Tax Board—unfortunately, what we heard is that we're on hold pending further documentation … that has been attended to and we are (I hope and will find out Tuesday) back on track to getting the exemption. YAY! Nextly (?!), Guerneville. Tom has been diligent on this and has gotten answers. There's an article in this newsletter as well as a registration form. Bottom line: it's 2 1/2 days of fun in the redwoods for a very reasonable (cheap, even, by my standards!) price. Ask anyone who has attended prior to this year if it isn't just acres of good times! It's been awhile in getting finalized, but this is really gonna be great. Don't miss this year's retreat to Guerneville—April 24 to 26.

February 22, 1992: Joe Kula will be with us most of the day. With a "floor level" afternoon (uh, "Workshop Dance") and an energy filled hoedown that night, this is a prime opportunity to polish up all those steps you thought you'd forgotten. It's gonna be fun, it's gonna be exuberant, it's gonna be a riot. DO NOT MISS THIS. (Right, no potluck this time …) Note: for those outta towners needing a placed to crash that night—lemme know; we c'n do it. Locals—we will need help decorating!! Please, please, please.

March 7th, Saturday, Stockton—Hugh and David are hosting a potluck at their placed on Solari Ranch Road. They have hosted several in the past; these have always been a lot of fun and well worth the 35 minute drive … (hell, that's no farther than many drive to work every day). Bring a dish (and some food in it) and your dancin' boots. It'll be more fun than you can stake your … uh … It'll be fun.

Western Star Dancers' Fly–In is March 13–15. This will be lots of fun. While the $60 rate is no longer available, $80 is still "such a deal" for this. WSD always puts on a great show (some more than others, I hear …). Forms are still available. Don't forget that the Basic (by then, Mainstream) Class gets this at $50—but you do need Robin's signature. This weekend is well worth attending, believe me. So go.

There are other upcoming events. The "Coming Events" (gosh, whatta great name!) Calendar is there for you—most notably is the WSD Dance February 5th—yes, it's mid–week, but these are lots of fun, and you really don't get back all that late, even for a work night. If you can go, do it! you won't regret it.

I have heard rumors of quite a few people planning to "Soak Up Seattle." That is great—lovely city, lovely people. Bon Voyage and if it weren't "on the way" through Portland, I'd hop on the idea (or whatever) myself. Just a little joke there (very little).

A WELCOME! Dan—thanks for filling in the remainder of Kenric's term. Gives ya a chance to "check it OUT" so's you'll know ya really do want to be a 'full–fledged" Board member, don't it? (You do, don't you?!)

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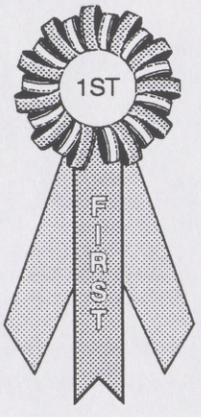


February Board Minutes

January 29 1992

The meeting at Bill and Michael's house was attended by Bill, Michael, Rick A., Kris, Cindy, George, Rick C., Becca, Dan, Tony, and Mark.

Tax Exempt Status—George reports that as of Monday, January 28, the Club is incorporated. On Friday, January 31, the paper work will go from the Secretary of State's office to the Franchise Tax Board, and we should receive tax exempt status soon thereafter.

Rick A. reports that the rent on the school has been paid through the end of December, and the treasury stands at $1,039.

The search for an alternate place to dance on class night continues. George says that MCC is a realistic consideration, and it would cost $60 per night, which is $4 more than staying at the school after we are tax exempt. Michael mentioned that it would be nice to support a gay organization where we would feel more welcome. The possibility will be further explored.

Fife's in Guerneville has been reserved for the CCS Retreat, April 24–26. There is space for 126 bodies, and the cost this year will be $85 per person. The cost is higher this year for a number of reasons. First, the room rates are higher. Second, we are renting an actual hall to dance in. Third, we will be bringing in a well–known caller, Nate Bliss. Deadline for the $40 deposit is March 10th with full payment due April 10th.

Michael brought up the idea of working primary election night again this year to raise some funds for the Club. Last year we earned about $750 and had a great time doing it.

A garage sale is another fund raising possibility.

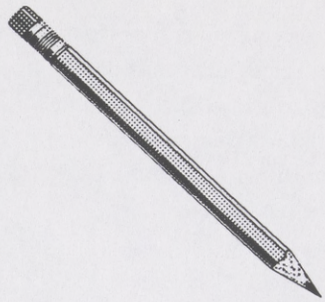
Hugh and David have offered to host a pot luck in Stockton on March 7th

Dan will be out of town during the hoedown February 22nd, so we will need help with the decorations.

Michael suggested taking up a collection on Class night to make a donation to Hope House in Chuck Kitlinger's name.

Respectfully submitted,

❖ Mark



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Thanks, everyone, for being here! I enjoy seeing each and every one of you—I enjoy dancing with you. Thanks for hearing with me and supporting one, and the Club. It's fun, it's good. Thanks.

See ya dancin'

❖ George

P.S....: We still need fund–raising ideas. Even if tax–exemption is granted this week, the Club will run short of money. This is serious. We need your help. Thanks!

P.P.S.: It was with great personal sadness, as well as shock, that I received news of Chuck Kitlinger's sudden death. Chuck was one of the first square dancers I knew—and a real incentive to get me into it. He always seemed to be "up"—even about how "down" he might be. I'll miss Chuck and being able to kid him about just how many shades of pink one can wear at once.... Later "Basket Case" —keep yer laces tied.

February Birthdays

15 **Tammy Coddington**

27 **Kris Corbridge**

News Tidbits

Sweden in Sacramento

On Tuesday, March 10th, we may have a guest caller at our Class night at the Theodore Judah School. Stephan Sidholm, a Swedish caller on tour in America, will be in town and has agreed to call for us. The Swedes are usually quite good callers. English is the international language of square dancing.

Laid Up CCS Members

Bob Foti should be home from his stay in Travis AFB Hospital soon. Cards and calls, I think, would be appreciated.

David "Elf" Borad is getting ready for kidney surgery. We wish him the best.

Michael "Fergie" Fergeson seems to be recovering nicely from his surgery.

WSD 10th Anniversary

All events for the Western Star Dancers 10th Anniversary Fly–In will be held at the Russian Center, 2450 Sutter Street (between Divisadero and Buchanan), San Francisco.

Plus Class Graduates

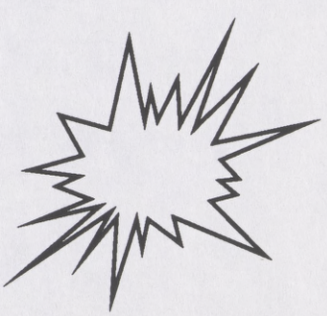
Kris Corbridge's Plus class has learned the last call and are now full Plus dancers. Class nights from now on will be workshop sessions to tune up their Plus level skills to prepare for the IAGSDC convention in Albuquerque.

Potluck in Stockton

David Cogswell and Hugh Hayes are hosting a potluck dance at their home in Stockton (while David's parents are still away) on Saturday, March 7th. The address is 5301 Solari Ranch Road, Stockton (see map). Their phone is (209) 931–6071 (in case Hugh doesn't get signs up and you get lost). Time and sign up sheets for dishes will be announced later.

Volunteers Needed

Because Dan Brownfield will be out of town the weekend of our February 22 "Fantasy in February" Workshop Dance and Hoedown, we need some volunteers to take charge of decorating the school with decorations Dan has already prepared. Please see him about getting the decorations and directions for how they are to be used. Dan's phone number is 457–4857.



In Memory of B. Charles Kitlinger

Chuck Kitlinger, a longtime member of Capital City Squares, died January 21, 1992. Although Chuck was not currently an active member of the Club, he attended many of the Club's special events. Chuck remained in contact with many CCS members through the computer bulletin board network (Acropolis), country–western dancing, and general around–the–townness.

I first met Chuck at a CCS dance held in Sacramento, while I was living in San Francisco. The time frame was 1985. Although I don't know the exact date, I remember the evening very well. I was one of only a few Western Star Dancers who made the 80+ mile trek to Sacramento. The dance was held in the round Senior Center at 27th and J Streets. Cruising the crowd, I decided Chuck was the cutest guy at the dance and plotted my move. As it turned out, we were wearing identical gray boots. As silly as that seems now, that's the line I used to break the ice and start a conversation. A tip later I dashed out to the car only to return in my yellow pumps (which many of you have seen at various IAGSDC conventions)! Chuck thought these were great and eventually danced a tip in my shoes. At this point in time, Chuck was shoe salesman and claimed he had never worn pumps before.

Over the next two years, Chuck (and Art Farmer) made many visits to San Francisco in that big Cadillac convertible, frequently staying with Tom and me. On at least one other visit to Sacramento, Tom and I stayed with Chuck and Art while attending CCS events. As time passed we saw less and less of one another, but Chuck always had a big friendly smile and hug ready for me when we did see each other, usually in a square at a special event or fly–in.

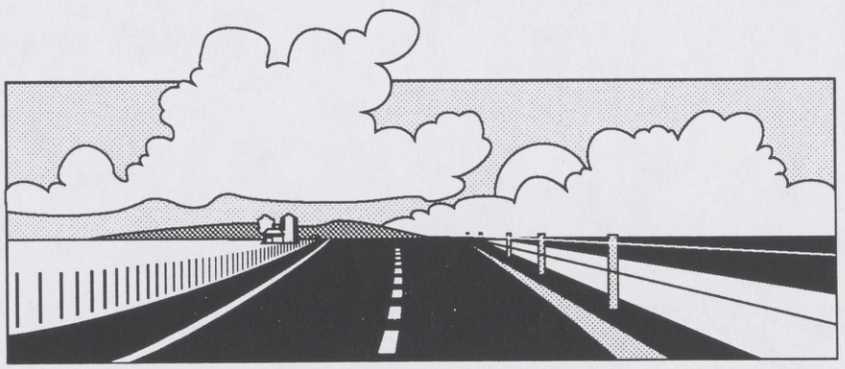
In early 1991, when I moved to Sacramento, Chuck was one of the first people to extend a "Welcome to Sacramento" to me. Over the last year I saw Chuck several times, mainly on C & W night at Faces but also at CCS events. He frequently wore those same gray boots.

Most recently, Chuck worked for a small law firm in downtown Sacramento as a computer specialist. He was apparently a shining star in that organization as his co–workers organized a living memorial to Chuck. On Tuesday, January 28, the office closed for the day at 12:30 P.M. so that all members of the staff could attend a memorial service. A redwood tree was planted in Chuck's memory near the rose garden in McKinley Park.

Farewell, Chuck. May the road to happiness be filled with waltzes, two steps, and a few do–sa–dos.

For those who may wish to acknowledge Chuck, please contact his parents: Kenneth & Evelyn Kitlinger, 2566 Victoria Street, Simi Valley, CA 93065.

❖ James Ozanich

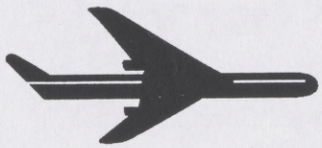


Russian River Retreat

Finally, I can report that our annual excursion to Fifes is all planned. For a while it looked as though we wouldn't put it together, but the management company had their contract renewed for another season, so we are all set. This year it will be even bigger than last year. We have reserved all of the cabins at Fifes for Friday, April 24, and Saturday, April 25, and we can accommodate 126 people. We also have reserved the Veterans Hall by Safeway, so we won't have to dance between the rain drops. James Ozanich has arranged for Nate Bliss to call and promises we all will have a great time dancing. Because it was so successful last year, we will also be having a group dinner on Saturday night (menu to be determined).

Because of the Club's financial pickle, I need everyone to get their reservations and money in early. The cost will be $85, and the reservation forms are included in the newsletter. Please be sure to specify who you want to share a cabin with. Most cabins sleep two, but a few do sleep four. If you don't choose a cabin mate, it will be done for you. If you have any questions, ask any of us who were there in previous years. It is a lot of fun and this year we hope to have the largest turnout yet. Who knows, if my house hasn't sold and I haven't left for D.C., I may even get to come!

❖ Tom Sachs



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1992

February

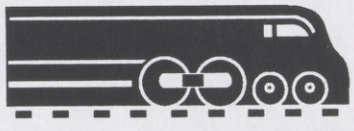
5	WSD Wednesday Special, (Ron Libby, MS, Plus), St. Paulus Church, San Francisco, CA.
7–9	*PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Saundra Bryant), Hayward, CA.
14–16	"Star Thru L.A." (Anne Uebelacker, Bill Eyler), 5th Anniversary Fly–In, Tinseltown Squares, Hollywood, CA.
14-16	"Soak Up Seattle" (Mike DeSisto & Johnny Preston), Puddletown Squares, Seattle, WA.
21–23	"Scoot Back to Florida" (Bill Eyler & Chris Phillips), South Florida Mustangs, Hollywood, FL.
22	"A Fantasy in February" (Joe Kula), CCS, Sacramento, CA.

March

13–15	10th Anniversary Celebration & Fly–In (Paul Marcum & Mike DeSisto), Western Star Dancers, San Francisco, CA.
13–15	*PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Dave Stevens), Hayward, CA.
20–22	L.A. Gay Rodeo.
20-21	*24th Annual Redding Square Dance Jamboree (Jet Roberts, Craig Rowe, Dave Correllus), Shasta District Fairgrounds, Anderson, CA
27–29	"Pass Thru the Alamo" (Rusty Fennel, Bill Eyler), Alamo City Wranglers, San Antonio, TX.

April

3–5	*PACE Spectacular (Anne Uebelacker, Ben Rubright, Dave Hodson, Lee Kopman), Napa, CA.
3–5	*California State Square Dance Convention (multiple callers and levels) San Diego, CA.
10–11	*"Spring Jamboree" (Jerry Story & Terry Mosier), San Joaquin Valley Square Dancing Association, Lodi, CA.
11	FCD Dance, San Francisco, CA.
24–26	CCS Retreat at Fife's (Nate Bliss), Guerneville, CA.
24–26	Pikes Peak Rodeo, Colorado Springs, CO.



Coming Events

May

1–3 FCD Retreat, Wildwood Ranch (way up the hill from Guerneville, CA).
1–3 *Silver State Convention, (multiple callers & levels), Reno, NV.
8–10 "Pass the Ocean Hon" Chesapeake Squares Fly–In (Anne Uebelacker, Glenn Matthew, & Dale Hodge) Rehoboth Beach, DE (if it's still there!).
8–10 *PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (George Monaghan), Hayward, CA.
8–10 Saguaro Regional Rodeo, Tucson, AZ.
8–10 1st Fly-In, T-Squares, Tucson, AZ.
9 WSD Banner Dance (Eric Henerlau),San Francisco, CA.
22–24 Great Plains Regional Rodeo, Oklahoma City, OK.
29–31 "Scoot Back to Toronto" (Anne Uebelacker, Joe Uebelacker!), Triangle Squares, Toronto, Ontario.
29–31 *"Dynamite Weekend" (Dave Stevens),A2–C2, Royer Park, Roseville, CA.
30 CCS Graduation Hoedown (Jet Roberts), Sacramento, CA.

June

12–14 *PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Vic Ceder), Hayward, CA.
13 FCD Dance, San Francisco, CA.
18–20 *26th National Advanced & Challenge Convention, Virginia Beach, VA.
25-27 *41st National Square Dance Convention, Cincinnati, OH
27 WSD Pre-Parade Dance, San Francisco, CA..
28 Gay Pride Day, San Francisco, CA.

July

3–5 "Diamonds in the Desert," 9th IAGSDC Convention, Albuquerque, NM.
3–5 Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo, Denver, CO.
10–12 *PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Dave Wilson), Hayward, CA.
24–26 San Francisco Gay Rodeo, San Francisco, CA.
31–A2 Great Plains Regional Rodeo, Witchita, KS.

August

6–9 8th Annual IGRA Convention (Business Meeting only), Minneapolis–St. Paul, MN.
7–9 *PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Ross Howell), Hayward, CA.
13–15 *11th American Advanced & Challenge Convention, Dayton, OH.

September

4–6 Chicago Crossfire, Chi–Town Squares, Chicago, IL.
4–6 Zia Regional Rodeo, Albuquerque, NM.
11–13 *PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Anne Uebelacker), Hayward, CA.
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25–27 Leather Weekend, San Francisco, CA
24 Bradley Family National Holiday (A day which will live in infamy!).
25 Advanced Dance (Tom Manning), Prime 8's, Sacramento, CA.
25–27 San Diego Gay Rodeo, San Diego, CA.

October

2–4 Atlantic States Gay Rodeo, Washington, DC.
2–4 "Perk Up in Vancouver"(Anne Uebelacker, Saundra Bryant), 3rd IAGSDC Advanced & Challenge Fly–in, Vancouver, BC.
23–25 WSD Camp Caz Retreat (Paul Waters), Way up above the Russian River, CA.
24–26 IGRA Finals Rodeo, Phoenix, AZ.
30–N 1 New York Fly–In (Saundra Bryant & Todd Fellegy), Times Squares, New York City, NY.

November

7 FCD Anniversary Dance, San Francisco, CA.
13–15 Dallas Gay Rodeo, Dallas, TX.
14–15 *PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Bronc Wise), Hayward, CA.
27–29 SATB Fly–In (Paul Waters, Ray Brendzy), Stars Across the Border, Vancouver, BC.

Local Contacts:

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Prime 8's	Art (916) 966-1734
WSD Western Star Dancers	Anna (415) 621-0862
FCD Foggy City Dancers	Ken (415) 821-0417
MS Midnight Squares	Roger (415) 664-0513
ECR El Camino Reelers	Randy (415) 961-7504
*PACE	James (916) 925-4242

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Invites You to

"A Fantasy in February"

Saturday, February 22, 1992

Guest Caller: Joe Kula

Pre-Hoedown Workshop Dance (alternating tips of class and full level Mainstream and Plus workshops): 1:00 to 4:30

Hoedown: 7:00 to 9:30

Pre-Hoedown Workshop Dance: $6.00
Hoedown: $6.00
Full Day Ticket: $10.00

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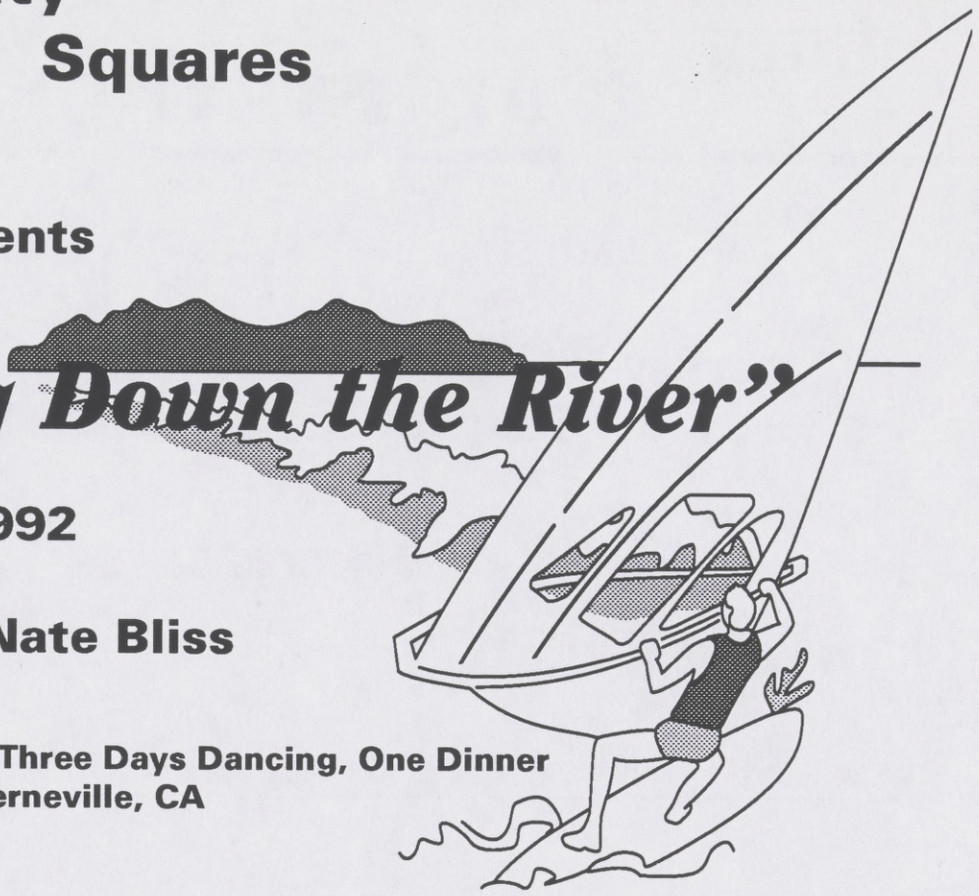
"Cruising Down the River"



April 24-26, 1992

Guest Caller: Nate Bliss

Two Nights Lodging, Three Days Dancing, One Dinner
At Fifes Resort in Guerneville, CA

All for $85

For more information call George: (916) 447-2271

Cruising Down the River
CCS Russian River Retreat

Name _____ **Phone #** _____

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Will Share Cabin with _____

Amount Enclosed ☐ **$40 Deposit** Due March 10,1992
$45 due April 10, 1992 ☐ **$85 Full Payment**

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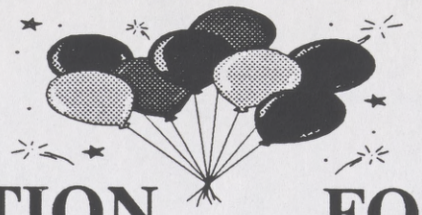

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Tours of San Francisco Sites

Featured Callers

Mike DeSisto **Paul Marcum**

For More Information • Anna (415) 621-0862 • Max (415) 431-6238 • Tom (415) 626-2886

Name _____

Address _____

City, State - Province _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____

Club Affiliation _____

Vegetarian Meal ? Yes No

I'm interested in more info about Hotel/Motel accommodations Yes No

Arrival Date & Time _____

Registration:
$60 thru Jan. 20, 1992
$80 afterwards

Make checks payable to: Western Star Dancers
Attn: Fly-In
584 Castro St., Suite 480
San Francisco, Ca. 94114

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Membership Application

P.O. Box 19986
Sacramento, CA 95819-0986

Membership Fee: $30 a year
Due in January—Delinquent in March

Fill out the following (please print)
and submit with your Membership Fee

	Publication Permitted	
	Yes	No
Name		
Address		
City		
State Zip		
Home Phone Work Phone		
Optional: Birthday (Month & Day)		
Optional: Occupation		

Current Dance Level:

(Circle One) Basic Mainstream Plus Advanced Challenge

In applying for, or renewing membership with Capital City Squares, I will not hold Capital City Squares or its officers and members responsible for any personal injury or property damage/loss arising from participation in any Club activities. I understand that Capital City Squares does carry Liability and Accident Medical Insurance.

Signed: Date:

Name desired on Badge (New Members Only):

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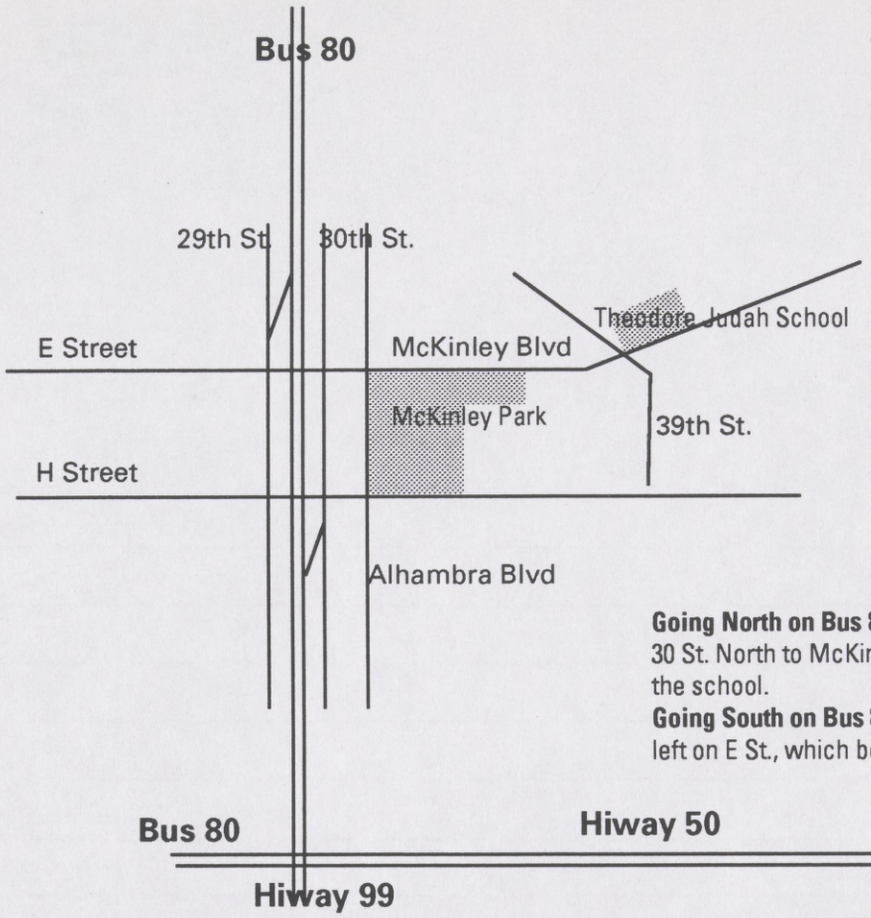

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Plus Class 8:00 to 9:30

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